

~~Alfred Steph~~

24 March 1973

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Dear Sir:

An incident occurred ~~last~~ at the Derham Middle School, 2600 S. Rocheblave, on 20 March 1973, in which a teacher was seriously injured. That night I telephoned your City Desk and was advised that the incident would not be considered "news worthy," unless it was a matter of official police records. Accordingly, on the following day, the incident was duly reported. That night, when I telephoned the City Desk, I was told that all of the reporters were out. I telephoned again (the teacher concerned was still hospitalized) and spoke with a reporter who ~~he~~ said he would be over ^{on} the following day (yesterday) with a camera -- to take a picture of a poster that not only tends to desecrate our flag but also glorifies the flag of the Black Liberation Movement. This poster is in full view of all who visit the main office of the Derham School.

The reporter did not appear.

I am writing this letter to advise you of an apparent policy of censorship that seems to exist at the TIMES-PICAYUNE of which you may not be aware.

Since the incident is a matter of police record and since some teachers are concerned

about their safety ~~while~~ while at school,
I trust that you will ~~stand~~ in the great
tradition of a free press in this country
dating back to Andrew Hamilton's successful
defense of Peter Zenger in 1735. ~~With this~~
~~matter I investigate the matter~~ use your
power as the Publisher to see that the
necessary action is taken,

Very truly yours,

Michael V. Geraci

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February 1, 1979

The Rev. Randall T. Pannell
Metropolitan Community Church of New Orleans
1744 North Rampart St.
New Orleans LA 70116

Dear Mr. Pannell:

I Understand that you are consulting with a New Orleans United Methodist church, looking toward the possibility of sharing their facilities.

Mathewson Street United Methodist Church of Providence RI has made its facilities available to the Metropolitan Community Church of Providence for the past three years.

Our arrangement, approved by our Board of Trustees, is that the M.C.C. will have the use of the sanctuary from 7 to 8 PM and the Fellowship Hall and kitchen from 8 to 9:30 PM each Sunday. In addition, we have made storage space available for robes, hymnals, etc.

The pastor of the church, the Rev. Marjorie Ragona, is the liaison person with us. She has a key to the building. One of her members serves as sexton, seeing to lighting and making sure that on leaving all lights are off and doors locked.

We make no financial charge for the use of the facilities, but we do accept \$15.00 a week as reimbursement for utilities.

If our own schedule does conflict with that of the M.C.C. we come to a mutual agreement as to place and time, etc.

Naturally there are occasions when our congregation may feel inconvenienced or restricted in planning, but however, we have always been able to talk it through, especially in the light of providing a space for worship for a people who sometimes feel alienated from the institutional church.

If you have other questions about our situation, do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Wilbur C. Ziegler
Senior Minister

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